

**NATO HANDBOOK ON MEDICAL ASPECTS
OF NBC DEFENSIVE OPERATIONS
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PART II - BIOLOGICAL

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Table A-I shows those diseases whose causative organisms have been considered as potential biological agents. Its contents should not be construed as a sanctioned threat list.

Table A-I. Potential Biological Agents

Agent	Disease
Bacterial	Anthrax Brucellosis Cholera Meliodosis Plague (pneumonic) Shigella Tularemia Typhoid fever
Rickettsial	Epidemic typhus Q fever Rocky Mountain spotted fever Scrub typhus
Chlamydial	Psittacosis
Fungal	Coccidioidomycosis Histoplasmosis
Viral	Argentine hemorrhagic fever Bolivian hemorrhagic fever Chikungunya fever Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever Dengue fever Ebola Eastern equine encephalitis Influenza Korean hemorrhagic fever (Hantaan) Lassa Omsk hemorrhagic fever Rift Valley fever

Table A-I. Potential Biological Agents (continued)

Agent	Disease
	Russian spring-summer encephalitis
	Smallpox
	Venezuelan equine encephalitis
	Yellow fever
Toxins	Botulinum toxins
	Clostridium perfringens toxins
	Mycotoxins of trichothecene group
	Palytoxin
	Ricin
	Saxitoxin
	Staphylococcal enterotoxins
	Tetrodotoxin